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# THE XAVERIAN NEWS

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## INSURANCE

### Subject at Orientation

Mr. John M. Cronin, speaking to the Freshman Orientation class last week, defined insurance as "the transfer of risk from one to another; it is not gambling, since gambling creates a risk which did not exist. The test of civilization is in proportion to the degree it has eliminated uncertainty."

Mr. Ronald Jeanmougin, Registrar, presented Mr. Cronin to the class and pointed out the high position which the lecturer holds in Cincinnati insurance circles.

Mr. Cronin devoted a great part of his speech to the history of insurance. "It was first introduced seven hundred years ago by the Jews when they were banished from France," he said. "The first statute concerning marine insurance was placed on the law books in 1601. The world-famous marine insurance company, Lloyd's of London, is an outgrowth of the old English coffee houses where sea-faring men were wont to gather.

"Fire insurance was unknown until 1616 after the London fire. At first fire departments were maintained by the insurance companies themselves.

"The first insurance company in this country was organized in 1792."

The lecturer said that everyone has a desire to amass a personal estate of fair proportions. "In the fulfillment of this desire, life insurance serves the individual creatively in four main ways; by fostering thrift, by increasing and maintaining credit, by effecting a more judicious distribution of current expenditures, and by promoting personal earning capacity."

"Thrift may be defined as sacrifice over a period of time with respect to our current expenditures. It is a characteristic which ninety-eight percent of our adults fail to make an integral part of their daily lives. They are too inclined to live in the present with its boundless opportunities for expenditures.

"In fact the adage that it is harder to keep than to make is only too true. Only one of ten, we are told, manages to have an estate at the retirement age of sixty-five, which at six percent, will yield a monthly income of even fifty dollars. Three of four persons and their working careers without any estate at all worthy of the name.

## Educators

### Meet at Chicago

Rev. Hubert F. Brockman, S. J., President of St. Xavier, and Rev. Daniel M. O'Connell, S. J., Dean, attended the meeting of the North Central Association of Colleges, held at Chicago last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Educators from all parts of the middle west were present.

Father Brockman visited his brother, Rev. Harry Brockman, S. J., at Campion, Prairie du Chien, Wis. before returning to Cincinnati. Father O'Connell was in Columbus the early part of last week.

## TRIBUTE

### Paid Alumni Lecturer

We reprint herewith an editorial of The Cincinnati Enquirer of last Sunday.

### HELPFUL LECTURES

In agreeable contrast with the plethora of internationalist thought and sentiment, so persistently in evidence in discussion of public questions by imported lecturers coming to Cincinnati, was the splendidly patriotic address delivered Sunday evening at the Hotel Sinton by Dr. Charles Phillips, professor of English at Notre Dame University. Dr. Phillips came to Cincinnati at the instance of the St. Xavier College Alumni Association. The lecture was open, free to the public. Happily, many took advantage of the opportunity to be present.

Dr. Phillips' topic was "The True George Washington," in which he both diagnosed and dissected the iconoclastic criticism of those who prominently have sought to deface, defile and belittle the character, personality and public services of the Republic's great first President.

The lecturer remorselessly exposed the ghastly flimsiness of the fabric of criticism employed by the detractors of Washington, declaring that if even all the things said by them could be taken to be true, Washington still would loom mightiest in stature above a majority of the world's most eminent outstanding characters.

The fair fame of Washington has had no abler defender than Dr. Phillips proved himself to be. But the point of vital chief interest and importance in his splendid deliverance was the fact, so plainly presented, that these defamations of Washington and other revered great Americans—not excluding Abraham Lincoln—are all at one with the persistent mocking and sneering depreciation of democratic traditional institutions by the new "liberal" thought in America.

It is a part of the vicious game of poison propaganda, with its fringe of unctuous clerical support, to disparage our "illusions" with reference to the great men and great deeds of our national past.

The agents of political degeneracy, operating in whatever hypocritical or illusory guise that may suggest itself as available for their purposes, link arms with our ministers of the Gospel, become comrades with the authorities of our universities, self-appointed themselves as political, social and moral father confessors to the memberships of our women's clubs, make progress in insinuating themselves into the halls of legislation, always and ever battering at all that is noblest and best in the scheme of representative free government.

## May Fete

### Plans Under Way

The date of the annual May Fete has been set this year for the last week-end of that month. Rev. A. F. Fisher, S. J., Faculty Director, announced last week that the fete will begin May 26, Ascension Thursday, and continue Friday and Saturday, May 27 and 28.

## COMING EVENTS

No event conflicting with any of the following may be scheduled without official sanction. For open dates apply to the Registrar, Mr. Ronald J. Jeanmougin.

Mar. 23—Chapel Assembly, 8:30 a. m.

Mar. 24—Junior Mass 8:30 a. m.

Mar. 25—Senior Mass 8:30 a. m.

Senior Sodality 11:30 a. m.

Band Rehearsal 3:00 p. m.

Mar. 28—Freshman Mass and Sodality 8:30 a. m.

Mar. 29—Sophomore Mass 8:30 a. m.

Sodality Central Committee 12:25 p. m.

Clef Club Rehearsal 7:30 p. m.

Mar. 30—Chapel Assembly.

Apr. 3—Executive Committee of Alumni Association, 10:15 a. m.

Apr. 4—Debate, Loyola University here. Juniors obliged to attend.

Baseball, Michigan Here.

Apr. 5—Orientation. Mr. A. H. Poppe.

Apr. 6—Alumni Meeting, 8:00 p. m.

Apr. 10, 11, 12—The Passion.

Apr. 11—Debate, Boston College here. Seniors and Freshmen obliged to attend.

Apr. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18—Easter Recess.

Apr. 19—Classes Resume.

Latin Intercollegiate.

Apr. 20—Alumni Banquet 6:00 p. m.

Debate, St. Viator here. Sophomores obliged to attend.

Apr. 22—Booklovers' Card Party and Dance.

Apr. 26—Orientation. Mr. J. D. Cloud.

Apr. 27—Intra-Semester Tests.

May 1—Verkamp Debate. Juniors and Seniors obliged to attend.

May 26—Ascension Day.

May 26, 27, 28—May Fete at Corcoran Field.

May 29—C. S. M. C. Convocation at Corcoran Field.

June 2—Semester Examinations.

June 5, 6, 7, 8—Commencement Exercises.

## Tournament

### To Find Tennis Players

The St. Xavier inter-collegiate tennis season will open this year about the middle of April. From last year's team, there are two letter men back in school, Tommy and Billy Cline. Joe Manley and Fritz Lamping, other letter men were lost through graduation.

In order to fill the places made vacant by the loss of these two men a tournament will be held as soon as the courts are opened for play. Charley Seanneman and Spotty Spacht, members of last year's squad, are back in school and are expected to make a hard fight for regular positions on the team.

There will be about five inter-collegiate meets this year and two members of the team will participate in the Ohio Inter-collegiate meet to be held at Oberlin. Tentative arrangements have already been made with Notre Dame, Kentucky and Louisville for meets to be played this spring.

## REPORTS

Reports on the recent intra-semester exams will be mailed at the end of this week, it was said at the office. Conditions will be held within a short time.

## ENGLISH

### Inter-Collegiate Being Held

The Inter-Collegiate English Contest is being held this year, March 12 to April 12. According to a new ruling the essay must be written privately. No paper will be accepted after April 12.

The subject is "The Present Status of Catholic Missions," and the essay may deal with both home and foreign missions. The contest is open to students of the twelve Jesuit colleges of the Missouri Province and offers a first prize of \$50.00. The entire purse of \$100.00 is offered yearly by Mr. D. F. Bremner of Chicago for excellence in English essay writing.

For several years St. Xavier has had at least one man among the first ten. Mr. Joseph H. Meyers, at present, an instructor of English at the college, received first prize in his sophomore year in 1923. The preceding year he had taken sixth place.

Mr. Meyers set two precedents; he was the only man in the history of the college to take first place, and he is the only sophomore to have ever taken first place in the contest.

The record of St. Xavier College in the contest from 1916 to the present is as follows:

1910—Joseph B. Hardig, third place; Lawrence H. Kyte, eighth place.

1920—John C. Danahy, fourth place; Albert Welmer, fifth place; Joseph Goodenough, tenth place.

1921—Paul Nordloh, sixth place; George Bidinger, eighth place.

1922—George Bidinger, third place; Joseph Meyers, sixth place.

1923—Joseph Meyers, first place; Irving Hart, ninth place.

1924—John A. Thorburn, eighth place.

1925—Edw. McGrath, seventh place.

1926—Francis Arlinghaus, fifth place.

### Rules

The rules governing the 1927 contest follow:

1. The essay should be between 2,000 and 2,500 words in length.
2. It is to be written privately within four weeks, namely March 12, and April 12, the date for submitting the essay.
3. No paper is to be accepted after April 12.
4. The essay must be original. A bibliography must be appended to each paper submitted.
5. Quotations from materials consulted by the writer must be indicated and the source given in a foot note.
6. The usual rules are to be observed in regard to the use of ink, of paper, 8 1/2 x 11 in size, of writing on one side only, of omitting every mark that may indicate the author or the college he attends, of employing an assumed name and writing it at the top of the page, and of enclosing the author's name in an envelope which is inscribed with the assumed name of the writer. It is to be insisted that the pseudonym be in every instance dignified.
7. All papers sent to St. Louis must be typed.
8. The suggested plan for the essay which will be given you is

## \$300,000

### Aim of Foundation

St. Xavier College will seek to raise approximately \$300,000 through private solicitations of funds for completion of the stadium at Corcoran Field, and development of its physical educational program, according to information announced last Wednesday evening.

Members of the St. Xavier Foundation will sponsor the solicitation which is to be conducted privately and personally. The St. Xavier Foundation is a body whose purpose is to promote the progress of the college. It is composed of a group of representative business and professional men of Cincinnati.

The announcement of these temporarily in charge of the solicitation states in part:

"There will be no public appeal through a drive or campaign, but merely a private fund-raising solicitation. Care has been taken to prevent conflict with any other drive, campaign or solicitation to be conducted by any group or agencies.

"Solicitations will be carried on through private personal appeal and through the mails.

"Funds derived from the private solicitation will enable St. Xavier College to complete its stadium at Corcoran Field and to expand physical educational facilities for the student body in accordance with the erection of the new gymnasium.

"Work on the new college field house, made possible by the generosity of Mr. Walter S. Schraedt, '05, has been started, and it is in accordance with this building program that funds are needed for the completion of the stadium, and for the furtherance of all athletic activities at St. Xavier.

"That St. Xavier College may become the center of intellectual life for which it now contains the elements, it must be given the proper physical facilities. Consequently, the members of the St. Xavier Foundation find it necessary to lend their efforts toward the completion of the stadium at Corcoran Field, and for the enlargement of the present physical education program.

"During the last football season, it was found that the present half-completed stadium was not adequate to accommodate the crowds which came to see the Musketeer gridgers. In view of this fact, the speedy completion of the stadium is imperative as the St. Xavier teams are becoming more popular each season.

"To prevent conflict with any other campaign and to maintain the strictly personal and private appeal, the solicitation for the stadium fund will continue over several months and will have neither formal opening or closing."

Announcement as to the chairman and various committees in charge of the drive is not available at the present time, but will be forthcoming later.

suggestive, nothing more. This fact is to be emphasized for the contestants.

9. The title of the essay will be "The Present Status of Catholic Missions." Foreign and home missions are included in this survey.

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## MOTTO — TO SERVE XAVIER

### Courses

Dr. Charles Phillips, recent lecturer on the St. Xavier Alumni program, in assailing the tendencies of modern writers, bewailed one great fault among American readers, and admonished his audience to correct that habit. "We must learn," said Dr. Phillips, "to read with our fists. We must learn to read with analytic minds, and not swallow everything that is offered us."

The wisdom of the admonition is obvious. Yet the fulfillment of that theory is rare for the very good reason that most men do not know how to read "with their fists." And, strangely, many college men are as helpless in the matter of analytic reading as any of their less fortunate brothers. We read, and we forget. We read a story, a poem, a magazine article, an essay, and we see no further than the printed word, or the bare romantic element of the novel. Or if by any twist in our nature we do go to the trouble of seeking the motive, the philosophy behind the article, all too frequently we accept it as gospel simply because someone has had the nerve to publish it. Or again we are lured into acceptance by the very novelty or bizarre nature of the "doctrine" advanced with no thought of examining the proposition or questioning its logic or the motives of the writer.

Possibly the reason for our failure to read analytically may be found in the fact that we have never been taught to do so. We study poetry which if in reality versification. We study the essay in its structure and in its technique alone. And so the novel, the play, the short story. But what is really needed by every college man before he leaves his Alma Mater is a thorough grounding in analytic reading, a training which will enable him to examine critically the literature of his own day. And to our mind, this training should come early in his course, for college day habits are usually permanent habits.

Truly, we should read with analytic minds, but show us how.

### Enquirer

The Enquirer editorial praising the last Alumni lecture is a fitting post-climax to the Lecture Series—Xavier's richest intellectual contribution to the public.

## Xaverians

### Celebrate St. Patrick's Day

St. Xavier alumni and students took prominent parts in many of the banquets and celebrations held in honor of St. Patrick last week.

At the banquet of the Irish Fellowship Club held at the Alms Hotel the toastmaster was Mr. John C. Thompson, '11, President of the organization. Rev. John Patrick O'Connell, S. J., of San Francisco, who is residing at Hinkle Hall, was one of the speakers, and Morse Conroy, a Sophomore, received a prolonged ovation after his address on "The Irish Legacy." This was the same speech that he delivered at the 1927 Oratorical Contest. Station WKRC broadcast the entire program from the hotel.

Dr. Edward P. Moulinier, '87, Dean of the College of Law, was one of the orators at the banquet of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at the Sinton Hotel. He, too, received a lengthy ovation, occasioned by his celebrated victory in a recent Supreme Court decision holding certain Mayers' courts illegal.

Rev. John F. Hickey, '32, paid homage to Erin's Saint at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner of the Rotary Club.

Rev. Thomas Nolan, S. J., Dean of Men at St. Xavier, addressed the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, which dined at the Cincinnati Club. Father Nolan spoke on the life of the Irish patriot, Daniel O'Connell, referring to him as the Demosthenes of the Emerald Isle.

But by far the busiest of the Irish celebrants were the members of the Claf Club. During the early part of the evening they presented a program of Irish and other members at the College of the Sacred Heart in Clifton and were warmly received by the faculty and students.

The Club then drove to the Cincinnati Club where they finished up the entertainment of the Ladies' Hibernian dinner and enjoyed the dance which followed.

On the eve of the feast an entertainment, presented by the St. Xavier Parish under the direction of Miss Florence Moran, featured Edw. J. McGrath, '28, in vocal selections.

To sum up, it was a great season for the Sons of Erin.

## INSTRUCTOR LECTURES

Mr. Joseph Meyers, Instructor of English at St. Xavier, gave the second of a series of lectures to students at St. Francis Seminary. His subject was "Hints on Writing."

## EUCHRE

Councilman Edward T. Dixon is general chairman of the committee in charge of the card party and dance to be given at the Hotel Gibson Roof Garden, May 7 for the benefit of the Passionist Chinese Missions Charity Fund.

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## ST. XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL

# Elocution Preliminaries Finished In Lower Classes

## Dramatic Directors

### Post Lists of Those Who Will Speak in Semi-Finals

As spring approached, dramatic endeavors show an increase. The Preliminary Elocution Contests have been held in first and second years, while in third and fourth years, the preliminary Elocution Contests have been.

The following have been chosen to compete in the first year semi-final elocution contest on Tuesday, April 5: Doering, Earls, Koch, Rust, Geers, Weyman, Ringer, Deubell, L'Honnemieu, Usher, Ginochio, Stacey, Bazeley, Kinley, Overman, Wootman, Holtmeier, A. Sandman, Goebel, Jonas, Cousina, Melhous, Schannus, Devitt, Meyers, Fassmore, Ryan, Wulftange, Griffin, Rehman, Fraudenberg, Litz, Peckskamp, Young, Roth, Slevy, Dachinski, Kearney, Nelson, Loftus, Hughes, Conley and Buchert.

Those will compete in the second year semi-final elocution contest on April 6: Bettelmayer, Folz, Peter, Metzel, Healy, Kearney, Quill, Betis, Seiwert, Thome, Anderson, Glenn, Shiele, Groeniger, Waldron, O'Sullivan, Van De Ryt, Conroy, Lawler, Brereton, McKaown, Schmitt, Kroeger, Beck, Donovan, Galvin, Klefer, Meckenna, Phelan, Sullivan and Weber.

## Sounds Fishy!

There is nothing in the life of the country lad of New Trenton that betokens such wonderful adventures as is suggested by the mention of the old fishing hole. It is situated in a secluded valley formed by the Carper brook, and in this sheltered nook they all gather in their hours of leisure and plan upon their boyish adventures. They sit there by the hour dreaming and planning until their low conversation is suddenly interrupted by the shout: "Tom, your cork's a bobbin!" Then there is a yell of delight from the happy youngster as he pulls a wriggling bass from the waters in which it has been harrying to the spawning grounds above the falls. This first strike usually breaks up the plan for the raiding of water-melon patches and forming of tireuses for all are then intent on their cruda corks resting on the clear waters of the brook.

—Art MacKenna.

## ACTIVITY CUP

The third quarterly exams are quite near and there is only a short time left to do your work in the way of activities. The activity cup is in the hands of 4-B and they threaten to hold it unless some sudden change occurs and a rival soon shows new life. The most effective means remaining for high scoring are the points derived from the outcome of the examinations. No class has yet held the Activity Cup for two consecutive quarters.

—Edw. Brueggemann.

## A Mexican Tale

The little town of Zinarey nestles sleepily in a fertile valley in Southern Mexico. On a bluff overlooking the village are the ruins of a convent with its bell tower still untouched by the fingers of "Age". As the sun's last glorious rays, a dying benediction, strike the village, the bell of the convent, mellowed by years of toll, is rung by the good Padre as a signal to the shepherds to wend their way homeward with their flocks.

Just one year ago, it was rumored that "Manos Duros," the bandit chief, intended to plunder Zinarey. He had well earned his name, being the author of a "reign of terror" of five years' duration. Even the bravest men paled at the news and the male population of the town armed themselves as best they could, while the women prayed that the marauder's hand be stayed. A watcher was stationed on the bluff, and ordered to ring the convent's bells if he saw "Manos Duros" and his band approaching.

Tonight was little Robolez's watch and as he lay on the grass he thought of the harrowing nights that the poor, frightened, but determined people had gone through since word of the coming of the plunderers had reached their ears, three long weeks ago. He saw the white smoke curling upward from his mother's cottage and he thought of how proud his dead father would be, could he but see the trust placed in his son's hands by the villagers. Then came sweeter thoughts of home and mother and his little sister, Dolores. A feeling of peace and security stole over him—the lad was fast asleep.

Asleep he lay, but not for long. A grimy hand pressed his lips; a voice cried out, "Bind this little fool." At first Robolez was bewildered, but then all became clear. He had fallen asleep at his post and now he was being bound by the raiders and in a little while they would be sacking the town. He must do something to avert the impending disaster. His train of thoughts were stopped by Manos Duros' orders. "Place our little watcher kneeling under the bell-rope and tie the cord round his neck, and if he wishes to alarm the village let him do so by putting an end to his earthly blunders." The robbers laughed and did his bidding and at Manos Duros' simple, "Come," they started down the steep grade.

Left alone, the poor lad returned to his interrupted thoughts and suddenly he knew what course to pursue. With a last lingering thought his mother, he then sprang into the air with a choking cry.

Half way down the hill the ruthless leader cried, "Look to guns," and drawing his sabre he started to crawl upon the unsuspecting townspeople. Hark! What was that? There it is again, boom—boom, the tocsin peals a warning. With an oath Manos Duros springs forward, but the villagers are alarmed and with a few volleys they disperse the bandits.

With a tightening sensation about their hearts, the men of Zinarey speedily mount the hill with an ever increasing fear. As they reach the

## CONTEST

### FOR ANNUAL NAME ROUSES STUDENT INTEREST

The contest to select a name for the Annual goes merrily on. Numerous names have been submitted, some with explanations, some without. It stands to reason that those with sensible explanations have a better chance to be chosen than those with only a brief argument or none at all. Of course it is not possible to publish every name submitted, but all will be given due consideration by the judges.

A very good example of a name which is backed by an argument is this one submitted by Bill Earls of 4-A.

Xaverian News Contest Editor.

Dear Sir:

A name for an Annual, for a good Annual, one worthy of representing the name of St. Xavier, should have a purpose. It must be appropriate, unusual and suggestive. It should have a certain ring and appeal. It ought to be descriptive and it must be short. Acting as my own judge, my name seems to embody all of these qualifications.

First, the name comes from the Latin word, saxum, meaning rock. Since our school is a firm well-founded institution—a rock of learning, and since an Annual is nothing more than a history of the school and school-life for a year, and is thus founded on truth—as firm as a rock—it is well that the name be chosen.

But principally the name was chosen by me because the first two letters of "Saxum" are "sa" which could represent "Saint." The "xa" of the same word could stand for Xavies, thus "St. Xavier." "A" is used as an English substitution for "um" of "saxum."

Yours for a bigger and better  
"The Saxa",  
BILL EARLS.

Another suggestive name is that submitted by William Haas and Jack Faulkner of 4-D. They propose the name "The X-Ray." Bob Schmitt and Norbert Matrose of 4-B submit these—"Valets," "Couriers" and "The X-Clarion." "Adieu," "Resume," "Spot-Light" and "Farwell" are only a few of the others submitted.

The under classmen have not shown as much interest as was expected. Remember the fifty point award, boys—it might win the activity cup for you. This is especially true of several Junior classes, who have been beaten out only by small margins so far. And hurry up the contributions. "First come, first serve." Merely hand your name to Dan O'Brien of 4-B and return in three weeks for your reward! Next!

convent ruins they see something swinging in the wind. Taking Robolez's body down, they breathe a prayer for the faithful watcher who died that they might live.

—Louis Arthur Ginochio, '30.

The Acolytical Society, under the direction of Mr. J. Reardon, S. J., will meet in Mueller Hall on Friday, March 25th. Appointments will then be made and hereafter the schedule for serving will be published in the Xaverian News or on the Bulletin Board. —Edw. Brueggemann, '32.

# Jack Faulkner Will Head Art Staff of Year Book

## Founding a Colony

There were strangers in town. I learned this as I tarried at the tavern on my way from work in the fields outside the stockade, and upon further hearing that they were stopping at my father's cabin, I hastened the rest of the way home.

I encountered my father on the steps. "I see you've heard the news," he said. "Yes, they are staying here over night and are to set out early in the morning after some Indians who have stolen some horses. You can get right to work painting the barn after you've had a bite to eat."

Although I was all curiosity to know more about the visitors, my father's word was the law in our household, so donning my overalls I worked at the barn until it was too dark to see.

When I came into the common room the travelers were in discussion with my father. It seemed that their guide had deserted. Thus they had strayed from the course, and, hoping to obtain another guide, they had come to our little Kentucky settlement. They offered good pay and that combined with my earnest pleading, won my father over. He consented to let me go, for, he explained I knew the country round about like he knew his wines.

"You're just to guide us down the Ohio to the Indian village, boy," Ben Stites, the leader of the band said. "Then you can go home or stick with us as you please."

Early the next morning we set out and covered many miles before the sun was at its height. After resting a while and eating we started again, traveling until it was dark. Haste was our keynote and indeed we had need of it if we were to reach the Indian town before the red men could join forces with those left at the village.

It was on the afternoon of the third day that we reached a spot opposite the Little Miami river on a small hill that commanded a view of the beautiful Ohio. Trees and bushes in the height of their beauty and virgin glory stretched back on either side of the peaceful river, gradually rising up and up toward the horizon and forming the deep green hued valley for which this part of the country was famous.

Stites was the most interested; he dismounted and after gazing at the beautiful scene for some time he kicked up the earth with his heel. "Good dirt," he said. Even then he afterwards told me, a plan was forming in his mind. From that time on he lost interest in the marauders and though we continued to chase the thieves, it is small wonder that we did not catch them.

It was not long after that Ben Stites persuaded some men to back him financially by his stories of the wonderful beauty and fertility of the Ohio valley. He then returned and saw his plan carried out—a colony established on the Ohio river.

—Robert Overman.

## Several Other Men

### Added To Editorial and Business Staffs

During the past week several changes have been made on the Annual Staff. Because of his success in critical work, Jerry Madden has been appointed assistant editor. Victor Nieporte and Francis Brereton will assist Will Scanlon with the sports; Nell McKeown will write the Class Prophecy, and Edward Brueggemann will take charge of the write-ups of the Junior Class and the Library Association. We are very sorry to lose the services of such competent men as Bill Earls and John Anton, whose resignations have been necessitated because of their acceptance on the debating team.

The Art Department consists of Jack Faulkner, Dan Tobin and William Haas. These artists have begun their work and we can be certain that St. Xavier will not be ashamed of the pen sketches in the year-book.

Jack Faulkner, as head of the Art Staff may well be expected to turn out some very fine sketches. Jack has had a fairly large experience in pen sketching. In addition to this, his art school training should help him considerably. His drawings so far turned in are inferior to none that appeared in Cincinnati Annuals last year. The annual committee looks on Jack as an unexpected and wholly pleasing acquisition.

Although there has been a slight delay in the photography, things look rosy for our infant than they have for a long time. Let's all put our shoulder to the wheel and shove this literary work to success. Any poem or article suitable for the Annual will be gratefully received by the Editor.

## Autumn

It was no use to drive farther; we were hopelessly lost in this rural district; so sinking in the seats, we attuned our eyes and ears to the sights and sounds of the moonlight countryside. The crickets continued their incessant, but somewhat pleasant chirping, while the sweet odor of new mown hay was wafted to our nostrils on the warm summer breeze. Fence posts, grim and silent like faithful sentinels, lined the pale white road on either side. The trees, which seemed to be stripped of all their leaves, beckoned grave warnings to us with their gray arms, and, far, far away a faint yellow light flickered in some farm house.

—George Rooney.

## SODALITIES

Both the Junior and Senior Sodality members up to the present time have been prompt. The last meeting saw a great falling off in attendance due to the pleasant weather. So keep up the faithful attendance you have shown in the past, for it means only fifteen minutes a week. Let's end the year right, and if possible better by encouraging others to become members.

—Edw. Brueggemann.

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## Two

## In Good Samaritan

Mr. J. Leroy Grogan, '25, was operated upon for appendicitis at the Good Samaritan Hospital recently. He is reported to be doing well.

Mrs. Clara M. Pressler, a prominent worker for St. Xavier, was stricken a week ago and rushed to the same hospital where a serious operation was performed. She also is reported to be mending favorably. Mrs. Pressler, who operates one of Cincinnati's largest restaurants, has charge of the Cafeteria at the annual May Fete and assists the college in other ways.

## Professor

## Gives Illustrated Lecture

Rev. Joseph F. Kiefer, S. J., Professor of the Classics, gave his illustrated lecture upon the life of St. Teresa, "The Little Flower," last Sunday afternoon at St. Joseph School Hall. His audience was composed of members of the Catholic Charities League.

Father Kiefer is an authority upon this new Saint, having visited her home and convent, and having met her sisters who are living today in France.

## NEGATIVE

## Wins Protectorate Debate

At the meeting of the Philopedian Society last week, the subject of controversy was, "Resolved: That the U. S. Protectorate over Mexico and the Central American States is the only effective means to their peace and prosperity."

The Affirmative team, composed of Joseph Nefer and Gale Grogan, contended by the elimination of all other forms of dictatorship, that the Protectorate was the only logical means of protection. They also proved that the United States, owing to its proximity, was the most competent nation to assume the office of protector. Robert Deters and James Nolan of the Negative squad retorted that this was contrary to the policy of the U. S. as one of the main adherents of the disarmament plan. The Protectorate would necessitate a greater navy than the U. S. has at present they said.

The critic, Ray Daley, declared that the debate was very spirited and gave evidence of excellent preparation. He also commended the rebuttals, and named Nolan as the best speaker of the day. The judges, James Quill, John McAnaw and Philip Owens awarded the decision to the Negative.

Rev. John F. Walsh, S. J., in his remarks, commended the speakers for the remarkable improvement they had made over their former appearances.

## Rehearsals

## For Passion Play Begin

The first rehearsal for the 1927 production of the St. Xavier Passion play was held last Sunday morning at St. Xavier Memorial Hall. Only principals were called for this rehearsal.

Mr. J. H. Thuman, General Director of the play, has announced that it will be presented this year at the Grand Theatre. The dates have already been announced for the first three days of Holy Week, April 10, 11, and 12. A matinee has been arranged for the Sunday afternoon.

Members of the street mob in the cast will be summoned for rehearsal shortly, Mr. Thuman said. Over one hundred persons required for this feature are furnished from all departments of the college, Sacred Heart College, Clifton, and St. Xavier Parochial School.

No important changes have been announced in the leads of the production. Mr. John C. Thomson, '11, will be the Christ, and Mr. Gregor B. Moorman, '09, will read the Gospel narrative upon which the play is founded by Mr. Thuman.

Even the lines of the dialogue are mostly taken from the Gospel, it is said.

## HONOR GUARD FORMED

Many members of the sodality volunteered to form the Guard of Honor during the Lenten season, Carl Steinbicker, prefect, announced last week.

The school week has been divided into ten minute periods during which one sodalist will be present in the chapel of the library building.

Booklovers  
Orchestra Chosen

Daugherty's Orchestra will be featured at the Booklover's Card Party and Dance, it was announced by Mr. Luke Leonard, '23, chairman of the Dance Committee. The affair will be held the Friday evening of Easter Week, April 22, at the Cincinnati Club.

Committees for the promotion of the social have been formed.

The student committee, headed by Frank McCarthy, is made up of the following men: Mark Schmidt, James Nolan, Thomas Cline, John Williams, Thomas Egan and Fred Ramberger.

An alumni committee has been formed under the leadership of Mr. Frank Gauche, '03, President of the Alumni Association.

Girls from the St. Xavier Commercial School have offered to assist wherever they may be needed.

## LECTURE

Members of the Dante Club appeared before the students of Mt. St. Gregory Seminary, Mt. Washington, recently and gave their lecture upon the Divina Comedia.

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## Life

## Has Meaning for All

Rev. John Walsh, S. J., at chapel assembly last week, gave a short talk on "Life With an Aim." Father Walsh said that everyone was put into this world by the Creator to fulfill a certain station in life. For this reason there is a wide range of talent, each one receiving ample endowments for accomplishing his particular life's work.

He stressed the importance of college students working toward a definite goal. Father Walsh said that it is only when we strive toward our aim in life, that we derive most benefits from a college course.

## ATHENAEUM READY

The March issue of the Athenaeum is in the hands of the printer and will be ready for distribution within the next few days, Wm. Dammarell, editor, announced last week. This issue features the address of Carl Steinbicker who won the Annual Oratorical Contest.

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